(ख) उनकी पूर्व क्षमता तथा वर्तमान क्षमता का संयंत्र-वार ब्यौरा क्या है?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गैर-पारंपरिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० एस० वणुगेपालाचारी): (क) और (ख) जिन विद्युत यूनिटों का विगत दो वर्षों के दौरान आधुनिकीकरण किया गया तथा उन्नयन किया गया उनकी पूर्व तथा वर्तमान विद्युत उत्पादन क्षमता सहित उनके ब्यौरे विवरण में दिए गए हैं।

विवरण

विगत दो वर्षों के दौरान जिन विद्युत यूनिटों का आधुनिकीकरण किया गया उनका अपेक्षित विवरण सहित विस्तृत ब्यौरा

क्र०सं०	यूनिट	प्रकार	राज्य	पूर्व क्षमता (मे०वा०)	वर्तमान क्षमता (मे०वा०)
1.	डी वी सी का दुर्गापुर-3	थर्मल	पश्चिम बंगाल	130	140
2.	एन० एल० सी० 1 और 2 चरण-1	थर्मल	तमिलनाडु	2x45	2x50
3.	एन० एल० सी०-9 चरण-1	थर्मल	तमिलनाडु	1x95	1x100
4.	सतपुड़ा-6	थर्मल	मध्य प्रदेश	1x150	1x180
5.	सतपुड़ा-7	थर्मल	मध्य प्रदेश	160	180
6.	भाखड़ा-9 दाहिंना किनारा	हाइड्रो	पंजाब	132	157
7.	नागझरी-2	हाइड्रो	कर्नाटक	135	150

Purchase of Transmission Equipments

2863. SHRI MAURICE KUJUR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1425 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th December, 1996 and state the details of power transmission-related equipments purchased during the last five years without inviting tenders or without obtaining the approval of the Central Electricity Authority with price of each of the equipment and the names of sellers?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES. (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): The transmission schemes of POWERGRID are approved by the Central Electricity Authority as part of the prescribed procedure. No power transmission related equipment have been purchased by POWERGRID during the last five years without inviting tenders.

Central Assistance Under NSAP

2864. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been extending 100% central assistance for implementing National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP);

(b) if so, what are the main components of NSAP;

(c) the specific conditions for those components/schemes;

(d) the allocations made to differenet States to implements those components/schemes since their inception;

(e) whether Government propose to enhance the amount of assistance under those components/schemes; and

(f) if so, by when and the specific steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA): (a) Yes, Government of India have been extending 100% Central Assistance far implementing the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP);

(b) The NSAP has three components; these are:—

(i) National Old Age Pension Scheme (NDAPS)

(ii) National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS)

(iii) National Maternity Benefit Scheme (NMBS)

(c) The specific conditions for each component are as follows:—

(i) NDAPS: Central Assistance under NSAP for old age pension is available according to the conditions given in Para 18 of the NSAP Guidelines, Accordingly, for the purpose of claiming the Central Assistance under NDAPS:—

(a) The age of the applicant (male/female) shall be 65 years of above.

(b) The applicant must be a destitute in the sense of having little or no regular means of subsistence from his/her own sources of income or through financial support from family members or other sources. If the criteria adopted by a State/UT Government to determine destitution prior to the introduction of NDAPS are more liberal than those prescribed by the Central Government, the State/UT Government are free to adopt them.

(c) The amount of Old Age Pension shall be Rs. 75/- per month.

(d) The total number of old age pension should not exceed the numerical ceiling prescribed for State/UTs.

(ii) NFBS: Central Assistance under NFBS is availble to households below the poverty line in the event of the death of the primary breadwinner in the bereaved family subject to the following conditions:—

(a) The primary breadwinner is the member of the house hold—male or female—whose earnings contribute the largest proportion to the total household income.

(b) The death of such a primary breadwinner should have occurrred whilst he or she is in the age group 18 to 64 years i.e. more than 18 years of age and less than 65 years of age.

(c) The bereaved household qualifies as one below the poverty line according to the criteria prescribed by the Government of India.

(d) Rs. 5,000 in the case of death due to natural causes and 10,000 in the case of death due to accidental causes will be the ceilings for purposes of claiming Central assistance.

(e) The number of such cases should be within the numerical ceiling prescribed.

(iii) NMBS: The maternity benefit is availble as lumpsum cash assistance to women of households below the poverty line subject to the following conditions:—

(a) The benefit is restricted to pregnant women of upto the first two live births provided they are 19 years of age and above.

(b) The beneficiary should belong to household below the poverty line according to the criteria prescribed by the Government of India.

(c) The ceiling on the amount of the benefit is Rs. 300/-.

(d) The number of such cases should be within the numerical ceiling prescribed for the Sate/UT.

(d) The allocation made to the different States to implement the three components of NSAP since inception is as under:—

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	NDAPS	NFBS	NMBS
1995-96	29706.66	15448.65	8736.53
1996-97	48020.40	25013.70	13654.20

(e) Yes, Government have been considering enhancement of the rates of benefits for NDAPS and NMBS during the 9th Plan Period.

(f) Plan proposal for enhancement for NDAPS and NMBS have been submitted to the Planning Commission.

Setting up of Marketing Network by Private LPG Importers

2865. SHRI YERRA NARAYANA-SWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the private LPG importers have sought the cooperation of the marketing network of IOC and other oil companies;

(b) whether any survey has been conducted to assess the potential for cooperation with private importers of LPG; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Public Sector Oil Companies have not received any request from any of the private LPG importer seeking cooperation to utilise their marketing network like distributorships, bottling plants, etc., However, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation and Bharat Petroleum Corporation have been extending the storage and handling assistance at port locations to the private importers on commercial terms subject to the availbility of spare capacity.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

अहमदाबाद में गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए धनराशि

2866. **श्री चीमनभाई हरीभाई शुक्ला:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने गुजरात, विशेष रूप से अहमदाबाद में गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए कोई धनराशि प्रदान की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो गत तीन वर्षों का वर्ष-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) इस संबंध में क्या प्रगति हुई है;

(घ) क्या सरकार ने गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए कोई अन्य योजना तैयार की है;

(ङ) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(च) इन योजनाओं को कब तक लागू किए जाने का विचार है?

शहरी कार्य और रोजगार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा. यू. वेंकटस्वरलू): (क) गरीबों के लिए शहरी बुनियादी सेवा योजना और प्रधान मंत्री के एकीकृत शहरी गरीबी उन्मूलन कार्यक्रम के तहत गुजरात विशेषत: अहमदाबाद शहर से गन्दी बस्तियों को हटाने के लिए कोई राशि मुहैया नहीं कराई जाती है।

(ख) से (च) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Research projects funded by TDB

2867. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the research projects funded by Technology Development Board during the last three years and the funds allocated, project-wise, indicating the category such as private industry and Government research organisations;

(b) how many projects have been completed and the research findings submitted;

(c) how many new products/processes have been developed and products/processes of these schemes patented and stating the reasons, if not patented; and

(d) the details of mechanism to monitor the quality of research of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (c) The Technology Development Board has recently been